

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph  
December 30, 2018

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**St. Therese Parish**  
**New Year's Eve**  
**Mass and Hot Pot Dinner**

Please join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving on  
**Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:00P.M.** followed by Benediction  
and our annual Hot Pot Dinner in the community room.

**All are welcome!**

It will be a fun evening of fellowship to ring in the New Year!

**Adults: \$10.00**

**Free for Children 5 and under**

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!**

**Please sign up at the church entrance table so we can  
plan for adequate food.**

**Thank YOU!**



# Mass Intentions

## *December 30, 2018 The Most Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

- 8:00 A.M.** + Vince Briglio, 90th Birthday Remembrance by Wife & Family  
**10:30 A.M.** + Gary Pionke by Bryan, Peggy & Brandon Lowe & The Lowe Family

### *MON. Dec. 31st Saint Sylvester I, Pope*

- 8:00 A.M.** + Monica Liu by Bi Jiang Lin  
+ Rocco Roti, Birthday Remembrance by Marion

**5:00 P.M.** Thanksgiving by Richard & Lily May

### *TUE. Jan. 1st The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord, Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God*

- 10:00 A.M.** Health Blessing for Cita Orendain by Simone & Nicole Orendain  
+ Joe Damico by Rena & Joe  
+ Michael & Benedetta Albanese by daughter Dorothy  
+ Birthday Remembrance for Mary Lydon by Bi Jiang Lin  
+ Barry Yong by Mom June Moy  
+ Young D. Chin by June Moy

### *WED. Jan. 2nd Saint Stephen, The First Martyr*

**8:00 A.M.**

### *THU. Jan. 3rd Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist*

**8:00 A.M.**

### *FRI. Jan. 4th The Holy Innocents, Martyrs*

**8:00 A.M.** In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus by Dominic Barbaro

### *SAT. Jan. 5th Late Advent Weekday*

**8:00 A.M.** In Honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Dominic Barbaro

### **5:00 P.M. Parishioners and Friends of St. Therese**

- + Gary Pionke by Bryan, Peggy & Brandon Lowe & The Lowe Family  
+ Jimmy Annoreno by Family  
+ Loretta (Laura) Orlando and Claudette Orlando by Bill, Diane & Mia



## *From the Desk of Fr. Francis*

**Greetings of Christ's Peace and Joy! Hope you all had a blessed week.**

### **Thanks**

Thanks to our **Youth Ministry** for organizing cleaning of the Church on Sat. Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> and caroling at a local senior home. With the help of so many adults, they gave the gift of gloves to the seniors. What a wonderful and meaningful event for our young people to do in this season of joy and love. Thanks to all adults who organized and accompanied our youth on this project.

Thanks to all who helped with Christmas Church decoration. So many of you generously helped and I can't even name all the names of the volunteers. We are grateful to all of you. Special thanks to **Jade Yee** for her leadership and for feeding the volunteers on Sat. Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Thanks to all children who participated in our Christmas Pageant this year. They did an awesome job in acting out the miracle of the birth of our Savior. Special thanks to **Bridget Lee** and **Christine Chan** for directing the pageant crew and to **Tom Howard** and **Christine Delfin** for their help.

Thanks to **Elizabeth and Delfin Masangcay and their daughter Mary** for preparing three sets of the new altar cloths and curtains for our Church.

Thanks to **all liturgical ministers**: altar servers, translators, greeters, ushers, St. Michael ministers, hospitality ministers, lectors and musicians! You made our Christmas celebration so prayerful and orderly. You are such a blessing to our faith community.



### *Renew My Church Update*

As we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph on this last weekend of 2018, the Church reminds us the importance of family and community. Each of us is called to become a Saint and all families are called to be holy.

Our community is blessed with so many wonderful families. We also know families who are struggling and suffering. This is a time for all of us to be grateful to God for the blessings of our families and to keep praying for all families as we look forward to the New Year 2019.

As you know, our parish has been part of the Renew My Church process in the Bridgeport, Chinatown and Canaryville Grouping since Feb. 2018. We are still waiting for a final decision by the Cardinal for the remaining four parishes, namely, St. Therese, St. Barbara, All Saints-St. Anthony and



St. Mary of Perpetual Help. The latest proposal is to combine the four parishes into one canonical parish and have all four churches open as worship sites. When this was shared with our parish leaders, we had major concerns on this proposal. So our Church and School leaders met with Bishop Casey and Fr. Jason to share with them on our concerns and our proposal on Sat. Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>. The meeting was a friendly exchange of thoughts and ideas. I thank all those who worked hard to prepare for the meeting and all who came to show your support. While we are still waiting, I invite you to continue to pray for this intention. We know this is a difficult decision for the Cardinal to make, but we hope and pray that the Cardinal will make an informed decision which will offer a greater chance for these local churches to move forward to succeed.

I invite you, your families and friends to join our New Year celebrations. *We will have a 5pm Vigil Mass on Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> followed by Benediction and Hotpot dinner. On New Year's Day, our mass is at 10am.*

With all my heart, I wish you and your loved ones a JOYFUL and BLESSED New Year. You are in my daily prayers. Please keep me and St. Therese in yours!

*Peace ~ Fr. Francis*

<b>Sat., January 12</b> 5:00 PM	<b>Mass + Bowling Social</b> The Alley (UIC) – dinner will be served. RSVP at church entrance or by email!
<b>Sat., February 2</b> 5:00 PM	<b>Mass + Youth Ministry Meeting</b> Help mentor and lead the future Young Adults of St. Therese!
<b>Sat., March 9*</b> Time TBD	<b>Service Project TBD</b> *Date subject to change – stay tuned for details!

 **YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

Sign up at the church entrance or at:  
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*Hospitality Schedule for January 6, 2019:*

**GREETERS:** Alyson, Rose, Agnes  
**RECEPTION:** Earl, Jorge

**Today's Liturgy - December 30, 2018**

**READINGS:** GATHER 1009/ The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph /C

**PROCESSIONAL:** #455 – Once in Royal David's City

**OFFERTORY:** #457 – Sing of Mary, Pure and Lowly

**COMMUNION:** #466 – What Child Is This /Child of the Poor

**RECESSIONAL:** #437 – Joy to the World

## News and Events

### FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

is on January 4, 2019 at 7:00 pm. All are welcome!

**2019 CHINESE CALENDAR** is now available on the church entrance table. Please take one copy per family.

**2019 Offering Box** can be picked up at the Church entrance table.

### St. James Food Pantry

Volunteers needed Saturday, Jan. 12th. We begin at 8:30am until about 11:00am. Please consider sharing your time and talents to serve others. Please sign up at the church entrance table.

### St. Michael Ministry

As part of St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church's need to have a secured facility for our community, parishioners who would like to join this volunteer group should contact Chris Lowe (630)660-6410 or the church office at (312)842-6777.

### Please pray for the following

#### Mercy Hospital Patients:



John, Denise, Adrienne, Bruce, Nancy, Owen, Chuck, Edgar, Dorothy, Delores, John, Remona, Charles, Kellileigh

**2018 Baby Bottle Project for The Women's Center** *If you have not returned your baby bottle, please do so today.* Thank you for your support.

### Respect Life Mass

Our parish Respect Life committee will sponsor a respect life mass on Sunday, Jan. 13th at the 10:30am mass.

### Appreciation Luncheon

Our annual appreciation luncheon for all dedicated volunteers and staff will be on Sunday, Jan. 13th from 11:45am to 12:45pm in the Community Room.

### Save the Date

**Our Lunar New Year celebration will be on Sunday, Feb. 10th at 10:00am.**

## Mass & Bowling Social

Saturday, January 12



St. Therese Parish  
218 W Alexander Street  
5:00 PM Vigil Mass

The Alley  
(UIC Student Center East)  
750 S Halsted Street  
Immediately following Mass

Enjoy a YAM-sponsored evening of prayer, fun, and dinner, compliments of St. Therese Church.

Young adults ages 18-40 and their kids are welcome.

Please RSVP at the church entrance, by email, or Facebook.

Carpools to be set up from St. Therese parking lot.



Sign up at the church entrance or at:

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## Christmas Donations as of 12/26/2018

(Continued from last weekend's list)

Paul Spalla	\$1,000
Richard & Lily May	\$1,000
Wilfred & Janet Chan	\$1,000
Mr. & Mrs. James Chin	\$300
Larry Pusateri	\$300
So Sau Ho	\$200
Jim & Maryann Distasio	\$200
Nancy & Steve Wong	\$200
Teresa & Gene Lee	\$200
Teresa & Henry Lee	\$200
Adrienne Tong	\$50
Nancy Longmire	\$150
Katherine Moy	\$30
Lucy Wong	\$50
Joseph & Carol Marzullo	\$25
Anita Chan Hong	\$20
Vivian Wong	\$30
Ms. Rose Centofanti	\$50
Ms. Phyllis Centofanti	\$15
Mayashi Megumi	\$50
Mr. James Merlo	\$15
Kwok Chi Lee	\$100
Anonymous	\$100
Margaret Moy	\$100
Antoinette Briglio	\$25
Morales Family	\$150

Marilyn Leung	\$50
Irene Lee	\$50
Rita Lim & Family	\$30
Frank & Sophie Nardi	\$150
Edy Gunawan	\$120
Lucille Salerno	\$100
Monica Lam	\$50
Corwin Eng	\$40
Natia & Joseph Difazio	\$150
Laura W. Chu	\$100
Elaine Louie	\$100
Geraldine Lonnie Lee	\$100
Marilyn Lee	\$60
Chung Fai Chan	\$20
Ray Perpignani	\$25
Dennis Visitor	\$10
Dr. Budi Kusnoto's Family	\$500
Annie Lowe	\$200
Fr. Francis Li	\$100
Cindy & George Ching	\$100
Wendy & Jerry Fluder	\$100
Michael & Wanda Jordan	\$200
Patricia Lee	\$100
Peter Pon	\$30
Farlen Lee	\$10
Darlene & Chris Lowe	\$200

## Thank you to all who contributed!

Janet Moy	\$25
Tony Lin & Sharon Wong	\$100
Al & Amanda Schwarz	\$100
Marion Roti	\$100
Anonymous	\$500
Lucy Moy	\$50
Eileen Chin	\$100
Rose Cho	\$500
Chi-Ing Li	\$1,000
Christopher A. Lau	\$300
Michael Chan	\$100
Linda Myers	\$100
Agnes Lee	\$20
Frank Scuito	\$20
Linda Li	\$100
Eleanor He	\$200
Eva & Andrew Feng	\$100
Teresa Au	\$30
Siu Tip Tsang	\$2
Dominic Barbaro	\$25
Mariana Kelm	\$5
Therese Spalla & Francis Degnan	\$100
Nathan Lau	\$100
Rose Lee	\$50
Melanda, Cat & Ramona	\$200
Dorothy Albanese	\$50

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Gertrude Chan	\$100
Jing & Mimi Zhang	\$50
Sharon Yu	\$100
Paul & Rebecca Lee	\$500
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Kun Cheong	\$10
Henry & Jennifer Chan	\$100
Sheila & John Lin	\$100
Ka Soen Tie	\$50
Michael Kwo Wai Fung	\$3
Louis Vittori	\$100
Harry Wu	\$2
Peter Tse	\$140
Jean Ng	\$20
Pamela Spano	\$50
Steven Casey	\$350
Janet Groh	\$250
Jian Guo He	\$200
<i>Christmas Loose Cash</i>	\$713

**Grand Total Donations  
as of 12/26/2018:  
\$24,178**







## Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, hospitalized, and homebound...

Lois Payton  
Helen Moy  
Katherine Culen  
Amelia Lorraine Schroeder  
Karl Schroeder  
Phil Maraldi  
Nicholas Tobar  
Vincent Thome  
Barbara McElroy  
Ramona Zavala  
Michael Howley  
Betsy Young  
Richard Tobar  
Rose Perez  
Phyllis Robinson  
Bai Xue  
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Barbara Metzinger  
Victor Roa  
Felina Li

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### **"HOLY FAMILY" by Sister Caritas**

What is a family? Today, in our world there are many kinds of families. Originally we considered those related by blood as families. Today we have families with children and a single parent. We have families in which the grandparents are raising the children as the parents may be sick, dead or in jail. We have families with members of our extended families. We have families where children have two fathers or two mothers as people have gotten divorced and then married and the children move between the two sets of parents.

What are the common virtues or qualities which make a family? If we look at the "Holy Family" we know Jesus was loved, protected and cared for by both Mary and Joseph. They did all the normal things like teaching Him to talk, walk, feed himself, and pray. Jesus learned from their example. They put God first in their lives. They obeyed the laws, directives and practices of the Jewish faith. There was respect in their family. Mary respected Joseph. Joseph respected Mary. Both parents loved and respected Jesus and Jesus returned the respect and love. All the places in the Gospel where we hear about Mary and Jesus, we see the profound love and respect of Jesus for His Mother. Mary was with Jesus, at times in His ministry and was with Him all the way to the cross and burial. Though there is no recorded story of Jesus coming to Mary at Easter but He probably did. Life in the Holy Family was good but it was not easy.

What are the qualities or virtues practiced in your family? Is there respect and love? Is there care and encouragement? Do you encourage and direct your children? Is there gentleness and strength? Pray to the Holy Family to help you. Ask God for all the graces and help you need to be a good family. God will be with you and present in your family just as God was with Mary and Joseph as they raised Jesus, God's Son. God will always give you what you need. Love one another.

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### **KEN YEN**

(Parent of Logan, 1st Grade)

**Winner of the Grand Prize of \$15,108.47**

### **QI ZHANG**

(Parent of William, JK)

Winner of the 1st Prize of \$2,317.25

### **NATASHA HAMILTON**

(Parent of Malcolm, 5th Grade)

Winner of the 2nd Prize of \$1,112.28

### **LAI CHIANG**

(Parent of Angie, 2nd Grade)

Winner of the 3rd Prize of a \$112 Gift Card

### **LOGAN YEN**

(1st grade)

Sold the Winning Ticket and received a check for \$1,000

### **BENJAMIN YANG**

(1st grade)

Won the \$1,000 Early Bird Drawing (announced in October)

### **CLASSROOM TEAM CONTEST**

Selling the most tickets per student:

**3rd and 8th grade team!**

These classrooms win a No Homework Pass and a Free Dress Down Day!

### **EARLY CHILDHOOD CONTEST**

Selling the most tickets per student:

**Junior Kindergarten!**

This classroom wins a pizza and movie party!

### **TOP STUDENT SELLERS**

These students win gift cards!

**Gabriel Moy**

(5th grade)

**Alex Moy**

(8th grade)

**Mia Mark**

(4th grade)

**Thank you to everyone for your support  
of the Grand Raffle  
and St. Therese School!**